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MAN WHO THREATENED TO KILL PRESIDENT BUSH FOUND GUILTY

TAMPA --Following a two day trial, Bernard Joseph Grogan, age 26, was convicted today in Tampa, Florida, on a federal charge for threatening to kill the President of the United States.

The defendant was convicted of one count of threatening to take the life of and inflict bodily harm upon the President of the United States. The charge resulted from statements made by the defendant on May 19, 2001, in which the defendant asserted that he was going to kill President Bush, and that he had the means to kill President Bush.

The defendant faces a maximum penalty of five years and a fine of \$250,000. The case was investigated by Special Agents of the United States Secret Service, and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Anthony Porcelli and Amanda Kaiser.